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ELECTION DAY is a legal holiday. Do not go riding, or shooting, or walking, or visiting, until you have cast your vote. It will greatly lighten the labor of those who take charge of the canvass if Republicans will vote early in the day. It is easier to bring in the delinquents if a large vote is already cast. If you are not able to walk to the polls, do not wait to have a carriage hunt you up, but ask your nearest neighbor to send the carriage for you when he votes. There are enough Republicans and lukewarm Democrats this year to defeat Abbot, if the Republicans will do the voting and let the Democrats stay in the house.

We have been asked how to treat a man who has become a thorough nuisance in his neighborhood. He offends all decent citizens by his outrageous conduct. His abuse of his wife and family and the scenes which are constantly enacted in and about his house, make good men's fingers itch to take hold of him in earnest. He contrives, however, to avoid the actual grasp of the law, but no words are too severe to be applied to his behavior. It seems to us that to put such a man "into Coventry"—to absolutely withdraw every sort of support from him, and, in short, to "boycott" him, would be the most effectual, as it appears to be the only available way, of taming him down.

DR. J. ROMEY'S BERRY has also replied to the strictures of the *Montclair Times*, over his own initials. He takes substantially the same ground that we ourselves took in an editorial upon "Presbyterians and Prohibition" last week, and concludes as follows:

"Among the men who voted in the negative were a large proportion of the most distinguished ministers in the State, who would scorn to 'filibuster,' and who voted not without intelligence and conscientious conviction. They were all of them friends of the temperance cause, and many of them were in favor of the principle of the legal prohibition of the liquor traffic, but they regarded the introduction of the amendment as a piece of indiscretion likely to do more harm than good. That was all there was of it."

**THE ASSEMBLYMAN.**  
The nominee for the Assembly in this district, Mr. Geo. B. Harrison, of Caldwell, is a very strong candidate. He is a man of sound and independent judgment, familiar with the needs and possesses those qualities which universally command the respect of men.

His election is of course certain, but we trust that fact will not allow any Republican to remain away from the polls. For Mr. Harrison deserves and should receive a rousing majority in the old First District.

**THE ROTARY SYSTEM.**  
In commending Mayor Low to the voters of Brooklyn, the Rev. Henry Ward Beecher used these words:

"But where has Mr. Hendrix [Mayor Low's opponent] learned anything on the subject of civil administration? Where has he served an apprenticeship? What does he know of the judgment and the tact requisite for the proper conduct of civil administration? Why should he be put forward to supersede a man who has already been tried? Why should he crowd out a mayor who has had experience, who has grown ripe, and who is just now fitted to carry out still more thoroughly the work he has so successfully begun? I put it to any bank man—president or what? Let a young man learn the business; let him rise step by step until he gets to the point where his knowledge and experience render him the better fitted for his work. Would it be a proper thing to go to kick him out? I ask any manufacturer whether that would be the course he would pursue with a man who had passed through all the grades up to thorough efficiency in his business? Is there any business man who would turn such a man out and put an untried stranger in his place?"

Yet something like this was accomplished in your own assembly district by the operation of the rotary system by which nominations are made. In the distribution of honors, service and fitness were forgotten. By this rule the office which was originally designed for a useful work is turned into a badge of honor. Such a method applied to township, county, or State offices will soon mean their debasement to the level of prizes to be sought for the money they bring or the honors they confer. It is but a step to increase the emoluments so as to make the prize of more value, the scramble greater, and the administration a disgrace.

We speak of this matter not to injure any candidate or person whatever, but simply to establish a principle—namely, this: that to put in office and keep in office those best fitted to fill it, is in the true line of civil service reform; but to parcel them out as rewards for any service whatever, is to turn the polls into a marketplace for the sale of offices. The districts and States which have exerted the greatest influence in Congress and Senate have been those which have steadily returned their representatives as long as they faithfully and efficiently performed their duties. Such a practice has given to the country such distinguished servants as Benton, Webster, Clay, Calhoun, Wilson, Sumner, Blaine, Garfield, and a host of others, who have brought not only honor to themselves but to their constituents.

## NEXT TUESDAY.

The election for a Governor of New Jersey for the ensuing three years will be held on Tuesday, the 6th instant, and we desire to avail ourselves of this last opportunity to reach as many of our readers as are entitled to participate in this election.

The issue is a narrow one, for, with the exception of our member of Assembly, no officer is to be voted for except the Governor.

The two candidates have been before the people for nearly two months, and during that time each has demonstrated to the public the qualities which go to make up his character.

Jonathan Dixon is known to-day to be the able, pure, and upright man that his friends have ever represented him to be. Not a word of calumny has been uttered against him. Not a public or private fault or weakness has been alleged against his fitness for the position to which his party have invited him. This is not because the Democrats have been unwilling to attack him, but because his character is unassailable.

Leon Abbot, too, is well known to-day to the voters of New Jersey.

From the time when his name was first mentioned as a candidate up to the day when, thrusting all opposition aside, he forced his party to nominate him for Governor, the papers of his own party were denouncing his corruption and venality, and urging all good Democrats to unite to oppose his nomination.

When he had beaten them in the convention, his opponents within his own party hastened to make peace with Mr. Abbot, and since then have rendered him a half-hearted support. But Mr. Abbot was, and is still, the same man whom they opposed so bitterly, and the storm which they had roused has swept the State.

From the first he has been on the defensive. Few of the able and distinguished leaders of his party have said one word in his behalf; but he has made up this deficiency by his own efforts. From town to town, from city to city, throughout twenty of the twenty-one counties of this little State, has Leon Abbot made his way and raised his voice and begged for votes.

He has had little to say about any matters of interest to the people at large, but has spent his time in trying to explain why he hated Abraham Lincoln; why he voted to have his salary paid in gold when a gold dollar was worth nearly two dollars in currency; and all the other damaging charges which the record of his life has furnished to his enemies.

Never before has there been such a canvass in New Jersey, and we are bound to say, never before has the Democratic party nominated such a candidate in New Jersey. If the spoils belong to the victors, it will be a sad day for this State when Leon Abbot leads to victory.

We urge all Republicans to cast their votes for Jonathan Dixon, and we further urge them to use their personal influence in every way to see to it that no Republican fails to do his duty at the polls.

We call on every independent voter now to exercise his free choice and vote for Judge Dixon, whom we know to possess the qualities of a fearless and honorable chief magistrate.

We invite Democrats to rebuke unprincipled methods in public life by setting the stamp of their disapproval upon Leon Abbot and the class of politicians to which he belongs.

We remind the Prohibitionists that if they really care for the cause for which they labor, it is the height of folly to aid the election of Abbot by withholding their votes from Dixon.

SAYS George Elliot: "For getting a fine growth of stupidity, there is nothing like pouring out on a mind a great amount of subjects in which it feels no interest."

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12:50, 1:40, 2:40, 3:30, 4:10, 5:07, 5:45, 6:40, 11:55, 1:35 p.m.

Leave Bloomfield—6:38, 7:13, 7:55, 8:47, 9:32, 11:00 a.m.  
12:50, 1:40, 2:40, 3:30, 4:10, 5:07, 5:45, 6:40, 11:55, 1:35 p.m.

Arrive Newark—6:38, 7:13, 7:55, 8:47, 9:32, 11:00 a.m.  
12:50, 1:40, 2:40, 3:30, 4:10, 5:07, 5:45, 6:40, 11:55, 1:35 p.m.

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## FROM NEW YORK.

Leave New York—6:30, 7:20, 8:30, 9:40, 10:40 a.m.  
12:40, 2:10, 3:40, 4:40, 5:30, 6:20, 7:10, 8:30, 10:30, 11:30 p.m.

Leave Newark—6:40, 7:22, 8:10, 9:05, 10:13, 11:33 a.m.  
1:13, 2:43, 3:13, 4:03, 4:33, 5:43, 6:33, 7:43, 9:03, 10:33, 11:33 p.m.

Arrive Bloomfield—6:35, 7:33, 8:21, 9:17, 10:24, 11:24 a.m.  
1:24, 2:55, 4:24, 5:24, 6:15, 7:05, 8:04, 9:14, 10:24, 11:24 p.m.

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1:28, 4:43, 5:42, 6:50, 7:55, 8:53, 10:52 a.m.

Leave Montclair—6:38, 7:13, 7:55, 8:47, 9:47, 10:47 a.m.  
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Arrive Upper Montclair—6:38, 7:13, 7:55, 8:47, 9:47, 10:47 a.m.  
1:28, 4:43, 5:42, 6:50, 7:55, 8:53, 10:52 a.m.

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